

# DEPARTMENT OF PARKING

PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU

Division #14-1075

TOWING & STORAGE OPERATIONS

Division #14-1112

PARKING METERS & ENFORCEMENT

Division #14-1113

## **Mission Statement**

The Parking Violations Bureau (PVB) is committed to providing affordable, accessible, and safe public parking citywide by enforcing City and State Laws and Ordinances.

#### Goal

To provide for the fair and equitable disposition of summonses written for parking violations.

#### **Activities**

- 1. Distribute summonses to the Police Department and other Agencies.
- 2. Accept pleas and conduct hearings for parking violations.
- 3. Respond within a reasonable period of time to all relevant and reasonable public inquires.
- 4. Schedule and conduct appeals and motions to vacate judgment.
- 5. Maintain complete and accurate records relating to all charges, dispositions and associated activities.
- 6. Process vehicle releases for towed and/or booted vehicles.
- 7. Process registration releases for registration suspensions.
- 8. Perform data entry and image all summonses issued by the Police Department and other Agencies.
- 9. Send weekly notices on unpaid summonses.
- 10. Research payments received with insufficient information to process.
- 11. Reconcile in-house and lockbox payment errors.
- 12. Reconcile data entry errors.
- 13. Respond to complains referred by the Mayor's 311 Call & Resolution Center.
- 14. Send registration suspensions month to the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles.
- 15. Scan and verify all late payments.
- 16. Manage the New York State Archives and Record Administration (SARA) records retention program for all PVB documents.

# Work Program Statistics

|  | Actual 2021-2022 | Projection 2022-2023 | <b>Estimate 2023-2024</b> |
|--|------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Total number of parking summonses          |                  |                      |                           |
| written                                    | 147,016          | 150,000              | 150,000                   |
| Notices generated:                         |                  |                      |                           |
| First                                      | 52,156           | 145,000              | 145,000                   |
| Courtesy                                   | 24,492           | 35,000               | 35,000                    |
| Alertogram                                 | 38,259           | 35,000               | 35,000                    |
| Suspension                                 | 30,957           | 28,000               | 28,000                    |
| Number of registrations suspended          | 4111             | 2,000                | 4,000                     |
| Number of suspended registrations released | 1,579            | 3,000                | 3,000                     |
| Mayor's 311 responses                      | 5,682            | 5,900                | 5,900                     |
| Walk-in customers                          | 16,410           | 20,000               | 15,000                    |
| Number of summonses adjudicated (does      |                  |                      |                           |
| not include failure to appear):            |                  |                      |                           |
| Regular/Suspension                         | 4,336            | 6,000                | 6,000                     |
| Appeals                                    | 53               | 50                   | 50                        |



|  | 2021-2022<br>Actual Amount | 2022-2023<br>Adopted<br>Budget | 2022-2023<br>Revised Budget | 2022-2023<br>Year To Date<br>4/28/2023 | 2023-2024<br>Recommended<br>Budget |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| 1075 PARKING VIOLATIONS<br>BUREAU TOTAL  | 878,907                    | 1,072,556                      | 1,076,941                   | 706,425                                | 1,309,137                          |
| 11475001 PARKING VIOLATIONS<br>BUREAU PS | 874,219                    | 1,060,456                      | 1,060,456                   | 699,913                                | 1,297,187                          |
| 411001 ANNUAL SALARY                     | 680,386                    | 857,556                        | 857,556                     | 509,349                                | 1,015,712                          |
| 412002 HOURLY SALARY                     | 41,278                     | 65,000                         | 65,000                      | 37,235                                 | 130,000                            |
| 413001 OVERTIME                          | 123,102                    | 100,000                        | 100,000                     | 132,749                                | 115,000                            |
| 413003 ACTING TIME                       | 11,647                     | 14,000                         | 14,000                      | 12,008                                 | 15,000                             |
| 414001 LONGEVITY                         | 12,705                     | 10,900                         | 10,900                      | 5,345                                  | 8,475                              |
| 414007 PERFECT ATTENDANCE INCENTIVE      | 0                          | 6,500                          | 6,500                       | 0                                      | 6,500                              |
| 414028 VACATION BUYOUT                   | 1,293                      | 2,000                          | 2,000                       | 1,319                                  | 2,000                              |
| 415001 AUTOMOBILE ALLOWANCE              | 3,659                      | 4,500                          | 4,500                       | 1,759                                  | 4,500                              |
| 415002 CLOTHING ALLOWANCE                | 150                        | 0                              | 0                           | 150                                    | 0                                  |
| 11475004 PARKING VIOLATIONS<br>BUREAU TR | 0                          | 0                              | 450                         | 450                                    | 0                                  |
| 458003 REGISTRATION & MEMBERSHIP FEES    | 0                          | 0                              | 450                         | 450                                    | 0                                  |
| 11475005 PARKING VIOLATIONS<br>BUREAU SP | 24                         | 1,450                          | 1,450                       | 641                                    | 1,300                              |
| 461006 FURNITURE &EQUIP (NON CAPITAL)    | 0                          | 800                            | 800                         | 641                                    | 800                                |
| 464000 PERIODICALS                       | 0                          | 650                            | 650                         | 0                                      | 500                                |
| 467000 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES            | 24                         | 0                              | 0                           | 0                                      | 0                                  |
| 11475006 PARKING VIOLATIONS<br>BUREAU SV | 4,664                      | 10,650                         | 14,585                      | 5,420                                  | 10,650                             |
| 443301 MACHINERY & EQUIP<br>REPAIRS      | 472                        | 400                            | 400                         | 0                                      | 400                                |
| 455000 PRINTING & BINDING                | 3,800                      | 9,500                          | 13,214                      | 4,982                                  | 9,500                              |
| 455100 INTERNAL PRINT SHOP               | 392                        | 750                            | 971                         | 438                                    | 750                                |

# Parking Violations Bureau 11475001-411001 Budgeted Salaries

| DESCRIPTION   | QTY | SALARY  | TOTAL     |
|---|-----|---------|-----------|
| Administrative Assistant - 1380<br>Grade A041 - Step 17           | 1   | 60,168  | 60,168    |
| Assistant Administrator of Parking - 1398<br>Grade A074 - Step 11 | 1   | 68,313  | 68,313    |
| Commissioner of Parking (Schedule I) Grade I J065-5               | 1   | 137,060 | 137,060   |
| Data Control Clerk - 0970<br>Grade A013 - Step 11                 | 1   | 43,930  | 43,930    |
| Director of Parking<br>I119-5                                     | 1   | 109,148 | 109,148   |
| Junior Data Control Clerk - 0969<br>Grade A004 - Step 11          | 1   | 41,033  | 41,033    |
| Junior Data Control Clerk - 0969<br>Grade A004 - step 17          | 3   | 45,186  | 135,558   |
| Junior Traffic Clerk - 0179<br>Grade A002 - Step 12               | 1   | 40,904  | 40,904    |
| Junior Traffic Clerk - 0179<br>Grade A002 - Step 15               | 2   | 42,889  | 85,778    |
| Junior Traffic Clerk - 0179<br>Grade A002 - Step 17               | 1   | 44,224  | 44,224    |
| Junior Traffic Clerk - 0179<br>Grade A002 - Step 5                | 1   | 44,224  | 44,224    |
| Senior Administrative Assistant - 1390<br>Grade A063 - Step 5     | 1   | 70,901  | 70,901    |
| Supervisor Hearing Examiner FT - 5720<br>Grade I - Step 5         | 1   | 80,722  | 80,722    |
| Traffic Clerk - 0180<br>Grade A023 - Step 5                       | 1   | 53,749  | 53,749    |
|   | 17  |         | 1,015,712 |

#### **Goals**

- 1. To tow and store vehicles parked illegally, suspended or abandoned.
- 2. To develop and implement procedures, policies and ordinance amendments designed to expedite the towing, release, auction and transfer of junk cars to scrap processors.

#### **Activities**

- 1. Tow and store illegally parked and police impounded vehicles.
- 2. Maintain complete and accurate records related to towed vehicles.
- 3. Hold weekly auctions of unclaimed vehicles.
- 4. Prepare an MV907A for each vehicle, 1973 or newer, sold at auction.
- 5. Data entry and scanning of all notices and mailings that pertain to each tow.
- 6. Answer all phone inquiries from the public with regard to impounded vehicles.
- 7. Act as dispatcher and liaison between towing companies and officers on the street.
- 8. Prepare a release for all vehicles that are claimed by the owner.

#### **Work Program Statistics**

|                                 | Actual 2021-2022 | Projection<br>2022-2023 | Estimate <b>2023-2024</b> |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Vehicles towed                  | 8,395            | 8,400                   | 8,425                     |
| Vehicles mini-towed             | 1,793            | 1,200                   | 1,300                     |
| Towing notices mailed and filed | 14,659           | 15,000                  | 15,000                    |
| Auctioned vehicles              | 1,560            | 1,600                   | 1,600                     |



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|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| 1112 TOWING & STORAGE<br>OPERATIONS TOTAL  | 885,108                    | 939,121                        | 940,490                     | 743,860                                | 1,053,383                          |
| 11412001 TOWING & STORAGE<br>OPERATIONS PS | 260,572                    | 301,396                        | 301,396                     | 222,436                                | 408,558                            |
| 411001 ANNUAL SALARY                       | 159,882                    | 205,446                        | 205,446                     | 162,618                                | 267,739                            |
| 412002 HOURLY SALARY                       | 0                          | 0                              | 0                           | 0                                      | 37,294                             |
| 413001 OVERTIME                            | 88,829                     | 80,000                         | 80,000                      | 53,210                                 | 90,000                             |
| 413002 HOLIDAY                             | 0                          | 0                              | 0                           | 0                                      | 2,000                              |
| 413003 ACTING TIME                         | 7,936                      | 6,000                          | 6,000                       | 3,577                                  | 0                                  |
| 413004 SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL                  | 0                          | 1,000                          | 1,000                       | 0                                      | 1,000                              |
| 414001 LONGEVITY                           | 3,475                      | 4,850                          | 4,850                       | 2,581                                  | 6,375                              |
| 414028 VACATION BUYOUT                     | 0                          | 3,500                          | 3,500                       | 0                                      | 3,500                              |
| 415002 CLOTHING ALLOWANCE                  | 450                        | 600                            | 600                         | 450                                    | 650                                |
| 11412005 TOWING & STORAGE OPERATIONS SP    | 1,313                      | 5,975                          | 7,083                       | 3,742                                  | 8,025                              |
| 461006 FURNITURE &EQUIP (NON CAPITAL)      | 0                          | 1,500                          | 2,121                       | 1,850                                  | 3,500                              |
| 461201 CLOTHING & UNIFORMS                 | 570                        | 3,500                          | 3,090                       | 264                                    | 3,500                              |
| 465001 AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLIES                 | 475                        | 400                            | 1,097                       | 1,051                                  | 450                                |
| 466100 ELEC PLUMB HVAC EQUIP<br>SUPPLIES   | 0                          | 75                             | 75                          | 0                                      | 75                                 |
| 467000 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES              | 268                        | 500                            | 700                         | 577                                    | 500                                |
| 11412006 TOWING & STORAGE OPERATIONS SV    | 623,223                    | 631,750                        | 632,011                     | 517,682                                | 631,800                            |
| 443302 VEHICLE BODY REPAIRS                | 1,149                      | 6,500                          | 6,668                       | 1,405                                  | 6,500                              |
| 443303 VEHICLE DRIVETRAIN<br>REPAIRS       | 4,521                      | 14,000                         | 14,000                      | 6,339                                  | 14,000                             |
| 444101 RENTAL LAND & BUILDINGS             | 0                          | 100,000                        | 100,000                     | 0                                      | 100,000                            |
| 455100 INTERNAL PRINT SHOP                 | 700                        | 650                            | 718                         | 703                                    | 650                                |
| 456000 OTHER SERVICES                      | 616,853                    | 510,600                        | 510,625                     | 509,235                                | 510,650                            |
| 11412007 TOWING & STORAGE OPERATIONS CO    | 0                          | 0                              | 0                           | 0                                      | 5,000                              |
| 474100 EQUIPMENT                           | 0                          | 0                              | 0                           | 0                                      | 5,000                              |



# Towing & Storage Operations 11412001-411001 Budgeted Salaries

| DESCRIPTION                                       | QTY | SALARY | TOTAL   |
|---|-----|--------|---------|
| Dispatcher - 5320<br>Grade B014 - Step 5          | 1   | 53,059 | 53,059  |
| Impound Coordinator 264 #2162<br>B045 - Step 5    | 1   | 82,033 | 82,033  |
| Laborer II - 9622<br>Grade B025 - Step 5.         | 1   | 45,474 | 45,474  |
| Tow Truck Operator - 6011<br>Grade B010 - Step 11 | 1   | 37,438 | 37,438  |
| Tow Truck Operator - 6011<br>Grade B010 - Step 17 | 1   | 49,735 | 49,735  |
|   | 5   |        | 267,739 |

### Goals

- 1. To install, reinstall, remove and provide daily maintenance of parking meters to ensure proper operation and turn over parking.
- 2. To equitable and thoroughly enforce all parking regulations daily throughout the entire city.

#### Activities

- 3. Install, maintain and repair parking meters (approx. 1,200 meters and 135 pay and display units).
- 4. Issue parking violation summonses for violations of "parking" "stopping" and "standing" pursuant to the State of New
- 5. York Vehicle and Traffic Law and the Ordinances of the City of Buffalo
- 6. Download computerized hand held ticket writers to the Gtechna software system daily.
- 7. Rectify any maintenance problems that occur to the handhelds
- 8. Receive and dispatch 911 and citizen complaints of illegal parking to Parking Enforcement personnel.
- 9. Compile, maintain and report complete and accurate records pertaining to parking meter work, summonses issued, abandoned, and suspended vehicles impounded and complaints answered.
- 10. Assisting private contractors with street paving and construction projects and also posting when needed.
- 11. Assist the Streets Department on a year-round basis for street cleaning, trash pick-up and snow plowing.
- 12. Immobilization of vehicles that have outstanding summonses owed.

#### Work Program Statistics

|   |           | Projectio |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|   | Actual    | n2022-    | Estimate  |
|   | 2021-2022 | 2023      | 2023-2024 |
| Single Space Parking meters                       | 1,000     | 1,000     | 1,000     |
| Repaired  | 175       | 175       | 175       |
| Maintained, Oiled, Greased (each meter done       | 2,000     | 2,000     | 2000      |
| twice   |           |           |           |
| a year)   |           |           |           |
| Installed (we are piloting a pay-by-mobile        | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| program for parking meters instead of paying at a |           |           |           |
| physical machine, on a trial basis)               |           |           |           |
| Reinstalled                                       | 10        | 20        | 45        |

| Buffalo Roam transactions (meter spaces paid for   | 637,310 | 642,255 | 647,200 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|
| with the pay by mobile)                            |         |         |         |
| Pay & Display Machines                             | 212     | 212     | 150     |
| Reinstalled/Relocated                              | 10      | 10      | 10      |
| Installed  | 0       | 0       | 0       |
| Summonses issued                                   | 147,016 | 138,868 | 140,000 |
| Sign and Meter complaints received and             | 500     | 500     | 500     |
| investigated (mobile app use reduces meter         |         |         |         |
| complaints)  |         |         |         |
| Vehicles booted (License plate reader will be used | 250     | 300     | 400     |
| to increase number of vehicles booted).            |         |         |         |



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|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| 1113 PARKING METER & ENFORCEMENT TOTAL   | 1,343,944                  | 1,805,002                      | 1,812,895                   | 1,452,275                              | 1,862,926                          |
| 11413001 PARKING METER & ENFORCEMENT PS  | 1,067,354                  | 1,201,639                      | 1,145,539                   | 833,940                                | 1,272,363                          |
| 411001 ANNUAL SALARY                     | 594,892                    | 798,089                        | 741,989                     | 475,528                                | 805,849                            |
| 412002 HOURLY SALARY                     | 226,677                    | 180,000                        | 180,000                     | 170,714                                | 242,414                            |
| 413001 OVERTIME                          | 226,665                    | 200,000                        | 200,000                     | 170,722                                | 200,000                            |
| 413003 ACTING TIME                       | 3,772                      | 6,000                          | 6,000                       | 346                                    | 6,100                              |
| 413004 SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL                | 900                        | 2,750                          | 2,750                       | 3,007                                  | 3,000                              |
| 414001 LONGEVITY                         | 11,749                     | 10,250                         | 10,250                      | 10,875                                 | 10,200                             |
| 415002 CLOTHING ALLOWANCE                | 1,950                      | 3,300                          | 3,300                       | 2,250                                  | 3,300                              |
| 415003 TOOL ALLOWANCE                    | 750                        | 1,250                          | 1,250                       | 500                                    | 1,500                              |
| 11413005 PARKING METER & ENFORCEMENT SP  | 70,117                     | 88,950                         | 124,758                     | 99,432                                 | 90,950                             |
| 461201 CLOTHING & UNIFORMS               | 4,830                      | 7,000                          | 6,027                       | 2,729                                  | 9,000                              |
| 466100 ELEC PLUMB HVAC EQUIP<br>SUPPLIES | 14                         | 1,750                          | 572                         | 0                                      | 1,750                              |
| 466200 ROAD SUPPLIES                     | 65,273                     | 80,000                         | 117,958                     | 96,659                                 | 80,000                             |
| 467000 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES            | 0                          | 200                            | 200                         | 44                                     | 200                                |
| 11413006 PARKING METER & ENFORCEMENT SV  | 206,473                    | 442,413                        | 470,598                     | 460,960                                | 499,613                            |
| 443301 MACHINERY & EQUIP<br>REPAIRS      | 0                          | 4,000                          | 4,000                       | 710                                    | 4,000                              |
| 444201 RENTAL EQUIPMENT & VEHICLES       | 205,963                    | 437,663                        | 465,810                     | 460,113                                | 494,863                            |
| 455000 PRINTING & BINDING                | 0                          | 200                            | 200                         | 0                                      | 200                                |
| 455100 INTERNAL PRINT SHOP               | 510                        | 550                            | 588                         | 137                                    | 550                                |
| 11413007 PARKING METER & ENFORCEMENT CO  | 0                          | 72,000                         | 72,000                      | 57,944                                 | 0                                  |
| 474200 VEHICLES                          | 0                          | 72,000                         | 72,000                      | 57,944                                 | 0                                  |



# Parking Meters & Enforcement 11413001-411001 Budgeted Salaries

| DESCRIPTION                                    | QTY | SALARY | TOTAL   |
|--|-----|--------|---------|
| Laborer II - 9622                              | 1   | 37,438 | 37,438  |
| Grade B025 - Step 14                           |     | 37,430 | 37,430  |
| Laborer II - 9622                              | 1   | 45,474 | 45,474  |
| Grade B025 - Step 17                           |     | 43,474 | 75,77   |
| Laborer II - 9622                              | 1   | 45,474 | 45,474  |
| Grade B025 - Step 5                            |     | 43,474 | 75,77   |
| Parking Enforcement Officer - 5330             | 2   | 37,438 | 74,876  |
| Grade B008 - Step 11                           |     | 37,430 | 74,870  |
| Parking Enforcement Officer - 5330             | 1   | 42,072 | 42,072  |
| Grade B008 - Step 16                           |     | 42,072 | 42,072  |
| Parking Enforcement Officer - 5330             | 3   | 37,438 | 112,314 |
| Grade B008 - Step 13                           | 5   | 37,430 | 112,314 |
| Parking Enforcement Officer - 5330             | 3   | 46,746 | 140,238 |
| Grade B008 - Step 17                           | J   | 40,740 | 140,230 |
| Parking Enforcement Officer - 5330             | 2   | 46,746 | 93,492  |
| Grade B008 - Step 5                            |     | 40,740 | 33,432  |
| Parking Enforcement Supervisor - 5331          | 1   | 60,027 | 60,027  |
| Grade B018 - Step 5                            |     | 00,027 | 00,027  |
| Parking Meter Mechanic - 5200                  | 3   | 37,438 | 112,314 |
| Grade B010 - Step 11                           | ,   | 37,430 | 112,317 |
| Superintendent of Parking Meters & Enforcement |     | 10.100 | 42.422  |
| & Fleet Operations - 6292 B021 STEP 11         | 1   | 42,130 | 42,130  |
|  | 19  |        | 805,849 |